HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 96-4712, by Representatives Koster, Stevens, Robertson and Hatfield

WHEREAS, It is the policy of the Washington State Legislature to recognize excellence in all fields of endeavor; and

WHEREAS, January 31, 1996, marks the observance of Legislative Dairy Day, an annual event celebrated at the state capitol of the great state of Washington for well over thirty years; and

WHEREAS, Legislative Dairy Day honors the dairy industry, which as the second largest agricultural industry in this great state of Washington, for the extensive contributions made by the dairy industry to the economic well-being of our great state of Washington as well as the invaluable contribution made by the dairy industry by providing an indispensable part of a healthy, balanced nutritious diet, with such irreplaceable products as milk, cheese, ice cream, yogurt, and a great many other dairy products; and

WHEREAS, Legislative Dairy Day also honors the Washington State Dairy Federation which, as a professional organization of dairy farmers in this great state of Washington, provides an exceptional voice for the contribution and special concerns of the dairy farmers; and

WHEREAS, Legislative Dairy Day also is an opportunity to honor particular individuals who by their superior and distinctive efforts have exemplified the highest level of excellence and service to the dairy industry and their community; and

WHEREAS, The Warner family, Steve, Jane, Jessica, Megan, and Charlie of Snohomish, Snohomish County, has been named and esteemed as the Snohomish Dairy Family of the Year for 1995, earning this honor for the simple and plain hard work in running a productive dairy farm, one which produces an astonishing 25,987 pounds of milk each year, from 217 cows, or enough for 51,974 glasses of milk by each cow, for their involvement in the Washington State Dairy Federation, Darigold Farms Young Cooperators Program, the 4-H Club, for their endurance and perseverance in the face of the devastating calamity and floods of November and December 1995, which in fact exemplifies the resilience and tenacity of all dairy farmers in our great state of Washington, for the involvement, effort, and sacrifice of each member of the Warner family in making their dairy farm so productive and successful and especially for the personal and family values they exhibit in working and caring for their farm and contributing to their community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives honor the highest level of excellence shown by the dairy industry and the Washington State Dairy Federation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives honor the highest level of excellence shown by the Warner family in being named the Snohomish Dairy Family of the Year for 1995; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives to the Washington State Dairy Federation and to the Warner family.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of Resolution 4712 adopted by the House of Representatives January 31, 1996.

Timothy A.	Martin,	Chief Clerk	